



Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Fire Prevention Division Information Sheet



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CLV Ordinance #6124

The items listed are basic information only. Codes are subject to change. Additional requirements may apply.

Crowd Managers and Fire Watch

Definitions:

1. **Crowd Managers** – A person that is trained in the systematic planning for, and the supervision of, orderly movement and assembly of people. Crowd management involves the assessment of people handling capabilities of a space prior to its use. This shall include the evaluation of the event, projected levels of occupancy, adequate numbers of egress and expected types of human behavior.
2. **Fire Watch** – A temporary measure intended to ensure continuous and systematic surveillance of a building of portion thereof by one or more qualified individuals for the purposes of identifying and controlling fire hazards, detecting early signs of unwanted fire, raising an alarm of fire and notifying the Fire Department. **IFC Section 202**

Trained crowd managers shall be provided for facilities or events where more than 1,000 persons congregate. A minimum number of crowd managers shall be established at a ratio of 1 crowd manager to every 250 persons. (Place of Assembly) Where approved by the *Fire Code Official*, the ratio of crowd managers shall be permitted to be reduced when the facility has an *approved automatic sprinkler system* or based on the event. **IFC 403.3**

Crowd Managers – There shall be trained crowd managers or crowd managers/supervisor at a ratio of 1 crowd manager/supervisor for every 250 occupants, as approved, (Tents and Membranes).

IFC 2404.20.2

This position is to *solely* be the fire watch with communications to report a fire/emergency situation.

See attached checklist for Fire Watch Criteria.

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Fire Watch personnel shall meet the following qualifications:

1. Walk the entire building continuously during the entire shift (except for breaks). Replacement fire watch personnel shall be provided to continue walking the building during the breaks.
2. The person(s) conducting such a fire watch shall be dedicated to that duty only and shall not be used for other duties.
3. Be equipped with, and able to use a bullhorn (or other loud sounding device), flashlight, remote radio and cellular phone.
4. Be capable of and willing to assist occupants vacating the building in an emergency situation while utilizing a flashlight to illuminate the path of egress for evacuating occupants.
5. Be trained in the use of a portable fire extinguisher and capable of extinguishing a small incipient fire utilizing a portable fire extinguisher.
6. Be instructed in and be familiar with emergency notification and evacuation procedures and capable of notifying occupants of an emergency and then assisting occupants to evacuate the building. All fire watch personnel on the property are responsible for responding immediately to any building where a fire condition is discovered. Upon discovery of a fire, fire watch personnel shall contact call 911 immediately. If there is other fire watch on duty they shall be advised of the emergency in order to obtain their assistance in notifying and evacuating occupants.

Address of Fire Watch activity: _____

Time period of fire watch: _____

Company contracted to conduct fire watch: _____

Staff assigned to conduct fire watch: _____

Business Owner/Operator: _____

*Compliance with the above fire watch requirements does not grant any occupancy to facility unless otherwise indicated.